

Assignment of lands in Kuttamangalam.

18. *Mr. E. K. Kuripe: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of acres of land adjoining Mannankandam in the Kuttamangalam pakuthi which have been disafforested for assignment to poor people;

(b) how long it is since the above places were surveyed; and

(c) the number of acres of the above area which has been assigned and if they have not been assigned the reason for delaying the assignment?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao: (a) No lands have been disafforested in the Kuttamangalam pakuthi for assignment to poor people; but an extent of 301.65 acres has been reserved for assignment to members of backward communities.

(b) The survey was completed by the Survey Department by the end of 1110 M. E. The records relating to sub-division survey subsequently undertaken were made final during the years 1113, 1114 and 1115.

(c) No land has been assigned so far. It is reported that 655 applications have been received since 1110 for the available extent of 301.65 acres, that 100 applications alone could be granted as each applicant has to be given 3 acres and that action is being taken to select the required number of applicants on the basis of their merits and to dispose of the lands as expeditiously as possible.

Panchayat Court, Trivandrum.

19. *Mr. James Fletcher: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of pending cases on the file of the Panchayat Court, Trivandrum;

(b) how many of those cases are more than one year old;

(c) how many days the court conducted judicial business during the year 1114 and 1115;

(d) how many days, the cases had to be adjourned for want of quorum during the year 1114 and 1115;

(e) whether the President of the Panchayat Court brought to the notice of the Government the fact that he is unable to get a quorum because the judges do not care to attend the court;

(f) whether any action was taken on the information; and

(g) which is the oldest pending case on the file and what is its valuation?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar : (a) 1,120.

(b) 212.

(c) 55 days in 1114 and 30 days in 1115.

(d) 75 days in 1114 and 76 days in 1115.

(e) Yes.

(f) Yes.

(g) File No. 881/08 (remanded) 27 $\frac{3}{4}$ Fs.

Mr. James Fletcher : With reference to the answer to part (g) of the question that a suit whose value is 271 $\frac{3}{4}$ fs; that is about Rs 40, is pending for seven years, may I know whether any action has been taken to stop such delays?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar : Government have recently issued a circular that those judges who do not attend three consecutive sittings or 75 per cent of the total number of sittings in any quarter will be removed from their office.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : With regard to the answer to part (e) may I know, Sir, whether there is any judge who attends regularly?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar : I claim notice, Sir.

Survey of disafforested lands.

20. * **Mr. E. K. Kuripe :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) how long it is since the lands disafforested from the reserve near Mannankandam for assignment in the Kuttamangalam pakuthi, Muvattupuzha taluk, were surveyed and whether the records relating to the survey have not yet been completed; and

(b) the number of acres in the above land that has to be auctioned?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao : (a) The survey of Mannankandam was completed by the end of 1110 M. E. by the Survey Department and the final maps of the blocks were supplied in Dhanu 1111. Sub-Division survey was then undertaken and the records relating thereto were made final during the subsequent years.

(b) 488 acres and 1 cent.

Mr. E. K. Kuripe : മമ്മം-ൽ സർവ്വ ചെയ്യുകഴിഞ്ഞിട്ടു ഇതുവരെ ഈ സ്ഥലം ലേലംചെയ്തു കൊടുക്കാതിരുന്നത് എന്തുകൊണ്ടാണെന്നു മറുപുചെയ്തു പറയുമോ?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao : കറേസ്ഥലം ലേലംചെയ്തു കഴിഞ്ഞു. ബാക്കിയുള്ള സ്ഥലം, തുക ശരിയായി കിട്ടാത്തതുകൊണ്ടാണു കൊടുക്കാതിരുന്നിട്ടുള്ളത്. അതു ലേലംചെയ്തു കൊടുക്കുന്ന കാലത്തുപറ്റി ഗവണ്മെൻറു ആലോചിച്ചുവരുന്നു.